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C O N F I D E N T I A L ATHENS 4214

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: NATO, NAC, PORG  
SUBJECT: NATO SUMMIT COMMUNIQUE -- GREEK RESERVATION

REF: STATE 125982

1. MFA SECRETARY GENERAL THEODOROPOULOS TELEPHONED ME THIS MORNING TO REGISTER GOG'S CONTINUING CONCERN ABOUT THE WORDING OF PARAGRAPH 14 OF DRAFT NAC COMMUNIQUE. HE SAID THAT AFTER GOG'S DEMARCHES TO DEPARTMENT AND IN BRUSSELS, (REFTEL), U.S. OFFICER ON DRAFTING COMMITTEE HAD OFFERED MODIFIED LANGUAGE WHICH MAKES OFFENDING PARAGRAPH LESS SPECIFIC BUT FAILS TO MEET GOG'S FUNDAMENTAL OBJECTIONS. THEODOROPOULOS SAID CARAMANLIS HIMSELF HAD MET WITH MFA OFFICIALS ON THIS SUBJECT AND TOLD THEM IT WOULD BE POLITICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO ACCEPT ANYTHING IMPLYING THAT HE OR THE GREEK GOVERNMENT APPROVES U.S. EFFORTS TO LIFT THE EMBARGO. THEODOROPOULOS NOTED THAT DPC MINISTERIAL COMMUNIQUE HAD ALREADY ENDORSED THE LIFTING OF THE EMBARGO AND CARAMANLIS DOES NOT UNDERSTAND WHY WE ARE TRYING  
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TO FORCE GREECE TO SAY SOMETHING IN NAC COMMUNIQUE WHICH IT CLEARLY CANNOT.

2. CARAMANLIS HAS AUTHORIZED ACCEPTANCE OF ALTERNATIVE LANGUAGE AT WEDNESDAY'S DRAFTING COMMITTEE DISCUSSUIN, TELLING GOG OFFICIALS THEY CAN GO NO FURTHER BUT SHOULD STICK WITH THAT LANGUAGE ALL THE WAY TO THE END. WHILE THEODOROPOULOS DID

NOT HAVE EXACT ENGLISH TEXT OF PROPOSED ALTERNATIVE, IT IS  
ESSENTIALLY AS FOLLOWS: "ALLIANCE IS ACTIVELY INTERESTED  
IN THE REINFORCEMENT OF THE SOLIDARITY OF ITS MEMBERS,  
ESPECIALLY IN THE SOUTHEASTERN FLANK, AND FOR THAT REASON  
EXPRESSES THE HOPE THAT AN EARLY SOLUTION WILL BE POSSIBLE TO  
ALL PROBLEMS IMPEDING THIS REINFORCEMENT."

3. COMMENT: REALIZING THAT DRAFTING OF COMMUNIQUE IS NOT A  
BILATERAL MATTER, I HAVE TRIED TO STAY OUT OF IT, BUT  
THEODOROPOULOS' DEMARCHE HAS NOW BROUGHT US IN. I MUST SAY  
THAT THE GOG ARGUMENT IS UNDERSTANDABLE. IT WOULD SEEM SENSIBLE TO  
DROP THE CONTENTIOUS PARAGRAPH ENTIRELY, AS DEPARTMENT HAS SAID IT IS  
PREPARED TO DO (STATE 127404) AND SOONER RATHER THAN LATER.  
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